

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1901 - HB 1916**

February 10, 2014

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the establishment of an early voting satellite location or an election day polling location by agreement of the county election commissions of any two counties which share a municipality. Requires such early voting satellite location or election day polling location to be located no more than half a mile from the shared border of both counties and be located within the boundaries of the shared municipality.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$11,700/Permissive**

Assumptions:

- The provisions of the bill are applicable only to local government.
- There are 21 municipalities located within two counties: Adamsville, Enville, Farragut, Goodlettsville, Grand Junction, Kenton, Kingsport, Lake City, Millersville, Monteagle, Oak Ridge, Petersburg, Portland, Ridgetop, Scott's Hill, Silerton, Spring Hill, Tennessee Ridge, Trimble, Tullahoma, and White House.
- There are 30 counties which share a municipality: Anderson, Campbell, Chester, Coffee, Davidson, Decatur, Dyer, Fayette, Franklin, Gibson, Grundy, Hardeman, Hardin, Hawkins, Henderson, Houston, Knox, Lincoln, Loudon, Marion, Marshall, Maury, McNairy, Obion, Robertson, Roane, Stewart, Sullivan, Sumner, and Williamson.
- The provisions of the bill would require the two participating counties to agree upon the location of any early voting satellite or polling place location, any meeting necessary between the two county election commissions to reach such agreement is not estimated to result in any significant impact to local government.
- Based on information provided the Secretary of State, the average cost per county opting to conduct early voting in satellite locations within the other county will be \$9,258, while the average cost per county opting to open a polling location on election day within the other county will be \$2,478.
- It is estimated one pair of county election commissions will choose to open both an early voting satellite location and an election day polling location, resulting in a permissive increase in local government expenditures of \$11,736 (\$9,258 satellite location operation + \$2,478 election day location operation).

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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